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1. Scope

1.1 This is a practice for using polymethylmethacrylate (PMMA) dosimetry systems to measure absorbed dose in materials irradiated by photons or electrons in terms of absorbed dose to water. The PMMA dosimetry system is generally used as a routine dosimetry system.

1.2 The PMMA dosimeter is classified as a Type II dosimeter on the basis of the complex effect of influence quantities (see ISO/ASTM Practice 52628).

1.3 This document is one of a set of standards that provides recommendations for properly implementing dosimetry in radiation processing, and describes a means of achieving compliance with the requirements of ISO/ASTM 52628 “Practice for Dosimetry in Radiation Processing” for a PMMA dosimetry system. It is intended to be read in conjunction with ISO/ASTM Practice 52628.

1.4 This practice covers the use of PMMA dosimetry systems under the following conditions:

- 1.4.1 the absorbed dose range is 0.1 kGy to 150 kGy.
- 1.4.2 the absorbed dose rate is 1×10^{-2} to 1×10^7 Gy·s⁻¹.
- 1.4.3 the photon energy range is 0.1 to 25 MeV.
- 1.4.4 the electron energy range is 3 to 25 MeV.

1.5 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

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2. Referenced documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

E275 Practice for Describing and Measuring Performance of Ultraviolet and Visible Spectrophotometers

E3083 Terminology Relating to Radiation Processing: Dosimetry and Applications

2.2 ISO/ASTM Standards:²

51261 Practice for Calibration of Routine Dosimetry Systems for Radiation Processing

51707 Guide for Estimation of Measurement Uncertainty in Dosimetry for Radiation Processing

52628 Practice for Dosimetry in Radiation Processing

52701 Guide for Performance Characterization of Dosimeters and Dosimetry Systems for Use in Radiation Processing

2.3 International Commission on Radiation Units and Measurements (ICRU) Reports:³

ICRU Report 80 Dosimetry Systems for Use in Radiation Processing

ICRU Report 85a Fundamental Quantities and Units for Ionizing Radiation

2.4 ISO Standard:⁴

12749-4 Nuclear energy — Vocabulary — Part 4: Dosimetry for radiation processing

2.5 Joint Committee for Guides in Metrology (JCGM) Reports:

JCGM 100:2008, GUM 1995, with minor corrections Evaluation of measurement data - Guide to the Expression of Uncertainty in Measurement⁵

JCGM 200:2012, VIM International Vocabulary of Metrology - Basic and General Concepts and Associated Terms⁶

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